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Grounding for Rail Signal Systems
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THE PRESENTATION:

Transit Signal use ungrounded energies to detect position of trains using vital circuit design. The track circuit for this could be 300 feet to couple of miles, so the exact position, direction and speed of train is unknown. This is inefficient use of real estate especially if 30 or more trains per hour have to operate. To improve throughput CBTC (communication based train controls) is being deployed which also meets FTA/FRA PTC requirements. However CBTC uses 3V or 12V redundant design of computers and network switches which require Zero Reference Ground (ZRG). How do you achieve ZRG in transit with leaking DC currents?

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